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National Institute of Technology, Kurukshetra, one of the 31 NITs in the country, is a premier center of learning and research in various disciplines of Engineering and Management. It trains and develops high caliber professionals to serve not only the country but also the world at large. Established in 1963 as an REC, a joint enterprise of the Government of India and the Government of Haryana, the College was elevated to a National Institute with Deemed University status in June 2002. The Institute has made rapid strides in expanding and upgrading facilities, enhancing the quality of education and strengthening the linkage with industry. The Institute Alumni are well placed in the reputed organizations in India and abroad.

About the Department

The Department of Humanities and Social Sciences is one of the thirteen teaching departments of the institute, equips students with the knowledge and social skills that help them successfully manage people and technology. The department is continuously involved in expanding the teaching-learning process to integrate humanistic values and social concerns with technical education. The department also provides research facilities in the area of Management, Economics, Psychology, English and Intellectual Property Rights. The department has taken a lead role in implementing NEP 2020 by introducing a set of courses for the holistic development of students.

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One Day National Conference

on

Bhagavad Gita: Explorations into World Literature (NCEWL-2023)
(Hybrid Mode)

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Registration Form

Name

Designation & Department

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Address: _____

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Accommodation required Yes/No

Date & Time of Arrival

Date & Time of Departure

Signature of the Participant

Introduction

The Bhagavad Gita is the most systematic statement of spiritual evolution of endowing value to mankind. It is one of the most clear and comprehensive summaries of perennial philosophy ever revealed; hence its enduring value is subject not only to India but to all of humanity.

Aldous Huxley

In the present when the world is suffering due to value systems devoid of ethical principles—*Bhagavad Gita* continues to offer timeless lessons and insights to understand the complexities of the postmodern world. Composed two millennia ago, the epic poem has transcended the realms of Hinduism reaching out to diverse populations, communities and cultures to initiate a dialogue advocating inner peace and harmony when the humanity is largely suffering from an existential crisis. The publication of translation of *Gita* by Charles Wilkins (1750-1836) under the auspices of Asiatic Society introduced the western world to the timeless Indian philosophy which took the world by storm. Even imperialists like Warren Hastings could not resist praising the text for its uniqueness and promises that the teachings hold in attainment of peace and bliss and said that the writers of the Indian philosophies will survive when the British dominion in India shall long have ceased to exist. Readers across the world have looked into the teachings of *Bhagavad Gita* to find solace from materialism, spiritual crisis and disharmony. The World Literature too has shown considerable impact of the philosophy inscribed in the holy text. Noted poet W.B. Yeats' poetic compositions clearly showcase his esoteric experimentation with the philosophy. Similarly, both Indian Writings and World literature highlight considerable impact of *Bhagavad Gita*.

Main Objectives of the Conference

As aforementioned the world literature reflects the influence of the Indian Philosophy imbued within *Bhagavad Gita*. Thus, this conference aims at highlighting the significance and contemporary reading of the text within discourses on religion, philosophy and literature. Abstracts are invited of around 250-300 words on topics relevant to the theme/sub themes, which may include but are not limited to the following:

- Translation Studies
- Mysticism
- Comparative Religion
- Ethics and Value: Philosophical Insights
- Impact on Indian literature
- *Bhagavad Gita* and World Literature
- Eco theology
- Cultural Studies
- Gita and Freedom Movement in India

Call for Papers/Posters

Participants are invited across disciplines including Philosophy, Sanskrit & Hindi Literature etc. to submit their abstracts/posters relevant to the theme(s) of the Conference. Abstracts for oral presentation (300-500 words; excluding author names and affiliations) and full length paper (4000 words) in, Times New Roman, M S Word 2007/2010, Font Size-12, should be submitted at seminarlitt2023@gmail.com

Who should Participate

Academicians, Researchers, Research Scholars from Universities, research institutes, governments & non-government organizations.

Resource Persons

Renowned Academicians from premier Institutes of the Country will be invited to deliberate on various issues of the Conference.

Important Dates

Abstract submission:	07 August, 2023
Notification of Acceptance of Abstract:	11 August, 2023
Submission of full Paper:	18 August, 2023

Accommodation

The outside participants will be provided accommodation in the Campus on First Come First Serve and on payment basis.

Registration Fee

Academicians/Faculty: 1000 INR
Research Scholars: 750 INR